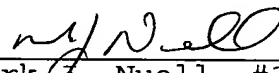


- ☒ Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$55.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$55.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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March 5, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003, the period for response being extended until March 5, 2004 by petition hereinbelow, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Specification, Amendments to the Claims, Remarks and Abstract of the Disclosure.

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